

The Georgia Board of Nursing met August 10, 2017 via telephone conference from the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Georgia Secretary of State, located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Janice Izlar, RN, CRNA, DNAP, President
Brenda Rowe, RN, MN, JD, Immediate Past President
Nancy Barton, RN, MSN
Linda Floyd, RN, EdD, PMHNP-BC
Amy Hooper, LPN, Vice President
Merry Fort, RN
Fredettina (Tina) Fletcher, LPN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Julia Worthy, RN, MSN
Dellarie Shilling, RN, MSN, FNP-B
Blair Train, Consumer Member
Kellie R. Lockwood, RN, MSN, Immediate Past Vice President
Andrea Phipps, LPN
Tracey Blalock, RN, MSN, MBA, NEA-BC

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director
Kirsten Daughdril, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Janet Freeman, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Tara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline

Izlar called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 10, 2017. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Barton moved, Rowe seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h); 43-26-5(c) and 43-26-11, to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative cases and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, August 10, 2017, Izlar declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during Executive Session.

CASE REVIEW (Legal and Discipline cases)

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number, LPNI=Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number)

LPNI180041 – Rowe moved to license with a Letter of Concern (Criminal). Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150181 – Fort moved to send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care, Medication Errors: Detection and Prevention, Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses and Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried with Barton opposing.

LPNI170099 – Hooper moved to close the case. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI161048 – Fletcher moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for an outpatient mental physical examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI170125 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public reprimand to include a fine of \$1000 for Failure to Disclose on the 2015 and 2017 renewal applications. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI170164 – Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose, and a fine of \$500 for Continuing Education Violation. May offer indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI170465 – Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a voluntary surrender or an indefinite suspension. Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI180037 – Floyd moved to reinstate with a Letter of Concern (Disciplinary History and Timely Compliance). Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI150517 – Barton moved to reinstate with a Letter of Concern (Criminal). Must submit final disposition of court case within ten days of adjudication. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI170034 – Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a three (3) month suspension. May petition to lift with an outpatient mental physical examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI170466 – Fletcher moved to send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, Difficult or Challenging? Dealing with Patients; Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing, and Resident Rights. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI171041 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for an expedited outpatient mental physical examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI170970 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for revocation and to deny the renewal. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI170314 – Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for an outpatient mental physical examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI170550 – Rowe moved to approve the request for float pool limited to the two floors in the current facility. Floyd seconded the motion with Hooper and Barton opposing.

RNI170766 – Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a summary suspension. May petition to lift upon completion of treatment and submission of safe to practice statement from physician. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI180065 – Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public reprimand to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (self, employer, aftercare), substance use stipulations, suspension of CRNA authorization for two (2) years, naltrexone statement, a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing, licensee may not work overtime, limit prescriptive authority for two (2) years to non-scheduled drugs. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

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LPNI150153 – Hooper moved to close the case. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI170051 – Barton moved to close the case. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150727 – Table until September 2017 meeting.

RNI170136 – Fort moved to close the case. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI170201 – Barton moved to accept the consent order as presented. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI170095 – Hooper moved to accept the consent order as presented. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU

Hooper moved to release requested information. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULE 410-13-.01.03

Rowe moved to post with updates. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number, LPNI=Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Fort moved to accept the following recommendations for the cases listed below:

	RECOMMENDED ACTION
RN197250	Lift narcotics restriction

Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ORDER TERMINATIONS BETWEEN MEETINGS

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number, LPNI=Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Rowe moved to accept the following terminations of probation between meetings:

RNI120405 RNI140010 RN225925

Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO CHANGE AFTERCARE GROUPS

(LPNI = Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number) (RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Floyd moved to accept the following recommendations for the cases listed below:

	RECOMMENDED ACTION
RN196211	Change aftercare group

Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE A 08/03/2017

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Fletcher moved to ratify the following cases from the investigative committee meeting:

LPNI170463 LPNI170440 RNI170874 LPNI170439 LPNI170260 RNI161018 LPNI170388
LPNI170409 RNI170409 RNI170697 RNI160932 RNI170826 RNI170756 LPNI180034

LPNI180035	RNI180038	RNI170403	RNI160866	RNI171093	RNI180055	RNI170971
LPNI150442	RNI180065	LPNI120034	RNI170705			

Floyd seconded the motion with Barton abstaining.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE B 07/27/2017

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Fort moved to ratify the following cases from the investigative committee meeting:

LPNI170461	RNI170937	LPNI170242	RNI171001	RNI161127	LPNI170479
LPNI160354	LPNI170480	LPNI170468	LPNI170091	LPNI150466	LPNI170177
LPNI170365	LPNI170370	RNI170712	RNI170862	RNI170894	RNI170945
LPNI170385	RNI140669	RNI170005	RNI170699	RNI151068	RNI151113
RNI161022	RNI170918				

Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PRIVATE CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR FAILURE TO DISCLOSE

Barton moved to ratify the Private Consent Agreements for licensure with a fine for failure to disclose arrest(s)/disciplinary action on applications that were issued according to the Board's policies.

RNI180052	LPNI180050	LPNI180052	LPNI180053
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Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PRIVATE CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR UNLICENSED AND UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE

(LPNI = Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number) (RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Hooper moved to ratify the Private Consent Agreements for unlicensed/unauthorized practice that were issued according to the Board's policies.

RNI180048	RNI180058	RNI164845	RNI180093	RNI180094	RNI180098
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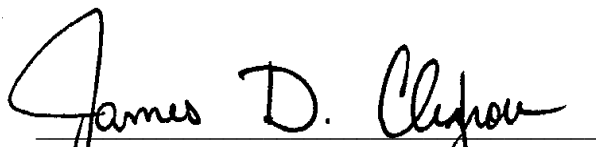
Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PETITION WAIVER - STREETER

Barton moved to deny the petition. The applicant failed to demonstrate a unique, substantial hardship. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned August 10, 2017 at 6:06 p.m.


 Janice Izlar, RN, CRNA, DNAP **President**


 James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**